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[X] Applicant: Mindy D. Goldsborough, et al.
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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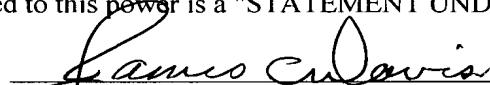
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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)
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NOTE: The PTO points out, in the Notice of June 24, 1992 (1140 O.G. 63-72, at 66), that "[a]dditionally, when a patent assignee is not represented by an attorney or registered agent, a statement by the assignee must also be submitted stating that the evidence has been reviewed and certifying that, to the best of the party's knowledge and belief, title is in the party seeking to take action."

1. The assignee(s) of the entire right, title and interest hereby seek(s) to take action in the PTO in this matter.

IDENTIFICATION OF ASSIGNEE

2. WHATMAN, INC.

Name of assignee

Corporation

Type of assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.

PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN

3. Dr. James C. Davis

(type name of person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee)

Vice President of Research & Development

Title of person authorized to sign

NOTE: The Notice of April 30, 1993 (1150 O.G. 62-64) points out:

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"(1) The statement may be signed by a person in the organization having apparent authority to sign on behalf of the organization. An officer (president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer) is presumed to have authority to sign on behalf of the organization. The signature of the chairman of the board of directors is acceptable, but not the signature of an individual director. A person having a title (manager, director, administrator, general counsel) that does not clearly set forth that person as an officer of the assignee is not presumed to be an officer of the assignee or to have authority to sign the statement on behalf of the assignee. A power of attorney from the inventors in an organization to a practitioner to prosecute a patent application does not make the practitioner an official of an assignee or empower the practitioner to sign the statement on behalf of the assignee.

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A.

1. An assignment from the inventor(s) of the matter identified above, which was recorded in the PTO on _____ at Reel _____, Frame _____.
2. An assignment (document) separately being submitted for recordal herewith.

AND/OR

B. A chain of title from the inventor(s) to the current assignee as shown below:

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Name of inventor(s) or assignee
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A 1 2
 B 1 2 3